

September 1, 2015

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met on September 1, 2015 in the Lincoln County Courthouse. Present were Commissioner Mike Cole, Commissioner Greg Larson, and Clerk and Recorder Robin Benson.

10:00 AM-County Treasurer/Supt. Of Schools Nancy Higgins-Approve/Review School Levies

County wide funds are not on the reports. Nancy is in the process of preparing them; there is confusion on how to allocate the Forest Reserves/SRS payments and Nancy wants the time to ensure the distribution is calculated correctly.

Nancy explained the School District Levies to the Commission and the public hearing process. Documents were provided showing the levy increases/decreases comparing FY 14/15 and FY 15/16. Nancy provided information on the mill values per school district and how student enrollment applies to the distribution of funds.

Nancy explained and provided budgets for Troy Elementary, Troy High School, Libby K-12 Schools, Eureka Elementary, Lincoln County High School, Fortine Elementary, McCormick Elementary, Yaak Elementary, and Trego Elementary.

Nancy briefed the commission about the legislature regarding *School Safety and Security* and how schools are allowed to move money for safety reasons.

Nancy discussed the legal limits on reserves and explained how each school is doing regarding maintaining reserves.

Additional information will be provided tomorrow, September 2nd at 4:00 PM during the Commission regular scheduled meetings.

Nancy said it is disappointing to see that every school is increasing its mill levies.

MOTION by Commissioner Larson to approve all school levies for FY 15/16. Second by Commissioner Cole, and so ordered upon unanimous consent of the board.

11:30 AM Meeting Adjourned.

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Mike Cole, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Robin A. Benson, Clerk of the Board